
Adafruitframebuf Library Documentation

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CircuitPython framebuf module, based on the Python framebuf module.

This driver depends on:

- [Adafruit CircuitPython](#)

Please ensure all dependencies are available on the CircuitPython filesystem. This is easily achieved by downloading the [Adafruit library and driver bundle](#).

1.1 Installing from PyPI

On supported GNU/Linux systems like the Raspberry Pi, you can install the driver locally [from PyPI](#). To install for current user:

```
pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-framebuf
```

To install system-wide (this may be required in some cases):

```
sudo pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-framebuf
```

To install in a virtual environment in your current project:

```
mkdir project-name && cd project-name
python3 -m venv .env
source .env/bin/activate
pip3 install adafruit-circuitpython-framebuf
```


CHAPTER 2

Usage Example

See example in `/examples/framebuf_simpletest.py`

CHAPTER 3

Contributing

Contributions are welcome! Please read our [Code of Conduct](#) before contributing to help this project stay welcoming.

CHAPTER 4

Documentation

For information on building library documentation, please check out [this guide](#).

5.1 Simple test

Ensure your device works with this simple test.

Listing 1: examples/framebuf_simpletest.py

```
1 import adafruit_framebuf
2
3 print("framebuf test will draw to the REPL")
4
5 WIDTH = 32
6 HEIGHT = 8
7
8 buffer = bytearray(round(WIDTH * HEIGHT / 8))
9 fb = adafruit_framebuf.FrameBuffer(
10     buffer, WIDTH, HEIGHT, buf_format=adafruit_framebuf.MVLSB
11 )
12
13 # Ascii printer for very small framebufs!
14 def print_buffer(the_fb):
15     print("." * (the_fb.width + 2))
16     for y in range(the_fb.height):
17         print(".", end="")
18         for x in range(the_fb.width):
19             if fb.pixel(x, y):
20                 print("*", end="")
21             else:
22                 print(" ", end="")
23         print(".")
24     print("." * (the_fb.width + 2))
25
26
27 # Small function to clear the buffer
```

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```

28 def clear_buffer():
29     for i, _ in enumerate(buffer):
30         buffer[i] = 0
31
32
33 print("Shapes test: ")
34 fb.pixel(3, 5, True)
35 fb.rect(0, 0, fb.width, fb.height, True)
36 fb.line(1, 1, fb.width - 2, fb.height - 2, True)
37 fb.fill_rect(25, 2, 2, 2, True)
38 print_buffer(fb)
39
40 print("Text test: ")
41 # empty
42 fb.fill_rect(0, 0, WIDTH, HEIGHT, False)
43
44 # write some text
45 fb.text("hello", 0, 0, True)
46 print_buffer(fb)
47 clear_buffer()
48
49 # write some larger text
50 fb.text("hello", 8, 0, True, size=2)
51 print_buffer(fb)

```

5.2 adafruit_framebuf

CircuitPython pure-python framebuf module, based on the micropython framebuf module.

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5.2.1 Implementation Notes

Hardware:

- Adafruit SSD1306 OLED displays

Software and Dependencies:

- Adafruit CircuitPython firmware for the supported boards: <https://github.com/adafruit/circuitpython/releases>

class `adafruit_framebuf.BitmapFont` (*font_name='font5x8.bin'*)

A helper class to read binary font tiles and ‘seek’ through them as a file to display in a framebuffer. We use file access so we dont waste 1KB of RAM on a font!

deinit ()

Close the font file as cleanup.

draw_char (*char, x, y, framebuffer, color, size=1*)

Draw one character at position (x,y) to a framebuffer in a given color

width (*text*)

Return the pixel width of the specified text message.

class `adafruit_framebuf.FrameBuffer` (*buf, width, height, buf_format=0, stride=None*)

FrameBuffer object.

Parameters

- **buf** – An object with a buffer protocol which must be large enough to contain every pixel defined by the width, height and format of the FrameBuffer.
- **width** – The width of the FrameBuffer in pixel
- **height** – The height of the FrameBuffer in pixel
- **buf_format** – Specifies the type of pixel used in the FrameBuffer; permissible values are listed under Constants below. These set the number of bits used to encode a color value and the layout of these bits in `buf`. Where a color value `c` is passed to a method, `c` is a small integer with an encoding that is dependent on the format of the FrameBuffer.
- **stride** – The number of pixels between each horizontal line of pixels in the FrameBuffer. This defaults to `width` but may need adjustments when implementing a FrameBuffer within another larger FrameBuffer or screen. The `buf` size must accommodate an increased step size.

blit ()

`blit` is not yet implemented

circle (*center_x, center_y, radius, color*)

Draw a circle at the given midpoint location, radius and color. The `circle` method draws only a 1 pixel outline.

fill (*color*)

Fill the entire FrameBuffer with the specified color.

fill_rect (*x, y, width, height, color*)

Draw a rectangle at the given location, size and color. The `fill_rect` method draws both the outline and interior.

hline (*x, y, width, color*)

Draw a horizontal line up to a given length.

image (*img*)

Set buffer to value of Python Imaging Library image. The image should be in 1 bit mode and a size equal to the display size.

line (*x_0, y_0, x_1, y_1, color*)

Bresenham's line algorithm

pixel (*x, y, color=None*)

If `color` is not given, get the color value of the specified pixel. If `color` is given, set the specified pixel to the given color.

rect (*x, y, width, height, color, *, fill=False*)

Draw a rectangle at the given location, size and color. The `rect` method draws only a 1 pixel outline.

rotation

The rotation setting of the display, can be one of (0, 1, 2, 3)

scroll (*delta_x, delta_y*)

shifts framebuf in x and y direction

text (*string, x, y, color, *, font_name='font5x8.bin', size=1*)

Place text on the screen in variables sizes. Breaks on to next line.

Does not break on line going off screen.

vline (*x, y, height, color*)

Draw a vertical line up to a given length.

class `adafruit_framebuf.FrameBuffer1` (*buf, width, height, buf_format=0, stride=None*)
FrameBuffer1 object. Inherits from FrameBuffer.

class `adafruit_framebuf.MHMSBFormat`

static fill (*framebuf, color*)
completely fill/clear the buffer with a color

static fill_rect (*framebuf, x, y, width, height, color*)
Draw a rectangle at the given location, size and color. The `fill_rect` method draws both the outline and interior.

static get_pixel (*framebuf, x, y*)
Get the color of a given pixel

static set_pixel (*framebuf, x, y, color*)
Set a given pixel to a color.

class `adafruit_framebuf.MVLSBFormat`

static fill (*framebuf, color*)
completely fill/clear the buffer with a color

static fill_rect (*framebuf, x, y, width, height, color*)
Draw a rectangle at the given location, size and color. The `fill_rect` method draws both the outline and interior.

static get_pixel (*framebuf, x, y*)
Get the color of a given pixel

static set_pixel (*framebuf, x, y, color*)
Set a given pixel to a color.

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